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COKE ASKS W.O. SMITH RETRACT

Bar Association 'Politics' Has
Aftermath in Letter Object-
ing to Interview

"Being conscious of no disgraceful nor discreditable conduct at the meeting of the Bar Association referred to, your failure to retract the statements accredited to you by the Star-Bulletin, if you are correctly reported, will compel me to ask the appointment of a committee of the Bar Association to investigate the charges which you have made and ascertain whether I am guilty of disgraceful conduct, or whether you are guilty of unjustly accusing me thereof."—Letter from James L. Coke to W. O. Smith.

"The term 'disgraceful' which I used is perhaps too harsh to be applied to those Democratic members who did not directly participate in the interparty exhibition of party politics, and respecting these I merely regret their failure to disapprove it. Only to this extent were my remarks intended to include Mr. Coke."—Letter from W. O. Smith to the Star-Bulletin.

Public retraction of statements by W. O. Smith regarding the meeting of the Bar Association last Monday afternoon has been asked by Attorney James L. Coke, in a letter written to Mr. Smith under date of December 17. Mr. Smith characterized the conduct of the Democratic members of the Bar Association at the meeting as "disgraceful" and in his letter Mr. Coke takes strong exception to being included in the characterization.

The letter was made public today shortly before noon, at which time Mr. Coke had had no answer to the letter to Mr. Smith written on Tuesday.

Later in the day the Star-Bulletin received a communication from Mr. Smith on the subject. Both letters are published in full below.

The warmth of feeling stirred up during and after the bar association meeting has shown no signs of subsiding. On the contrary, local attorneys today are discussing with great emphasis and freedom the alleged injection of politics into the meeting. Republican and Democratic members each charging the other party with responsibility.

Mr. Coke insists that he, a candidate for endorsement as United States attorney to succeed R. W. Breckons, took no part in the meeting except to vote, and declares that Mr. Smith's statement in the Star-Bulletin on the day following the meeting "casts an unjust aspersions upon myself as well as upon other Democrats present."

Coke Asks Retraction.

In his letter to Mr. Smith, Attorney Coke says:

Honolulu, December 17, 1912.

Hon. W. O. Smith, City.

Dear Sir: In the issue of The Star-Bulletin of this date you are credited with the statement that "the conduct of the Democratic members of the bar association at the meeting held yesterday afternoon was disgraceful." I am a Democrat and was present at the meeting of the bar association during part of its session, withdrawing before my own application for endorsement came up for consideration. I took no part in the meeting of the association other than to vote, and am conscious of having committed no

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BAND CONCERT TONIGHT AT THE MOANA HOTEL

The Royal Hawaiian Band will give a concert tonight at the Moana Hotel to which the public generally is invited—advertisement.

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2 COMPANIES OF COAST ARTILLERY ON JANUARY BOAT

Tenth and Sixty-eighth Will Be
Stationed on Oahu Within a
Month—War Secretary Em-
phasizes Importance of Pearl
Harbor

"The base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, is of greater strategic importance for the protection of the entire Pacific coast from attack than any of the positions on that coast now so strongly fortified. No naval enemy could make a serious effective attack upon any portion of the American Pacific coast unless it had first reduced the position at Oahu, threatening its flank. Quarters for the men who are to protect the great stores, naval material and seacoast guns from falling into the hands of land attackers should be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible."—Extract from annual report of Secretary of War Stimson.

The 10th and 68th companies of coast artillery have been ordered to Honolulu and will arrive here on the January transport. This information is published in the San Francisco Examiner of Dec. 13, and as orders had already been issued when the news was chronicled, it is considered authentic, although to date no official word has been received as to the coming of additional troops.

News that two more companies of coast artillery are to be rushed here in less than a month has created quite a stir in military circles. Their coming, however, is in line with recommendations of the department commander and the recent defense board, that the big guns at Fort Kamehameha and the battery and mine station at Fort Armstrong, be immediately manned, and the only surprise expressed is that no official notice of the orders has been received.

The department faces a serious problem, however, in the quartering of these two companies in the immediate future. There is good camping ground at Fort Kamehameha, but the water supply is short, the small detachment now stationed there depending on a 4-inch pipe line owned by the Hawaiian Dredging Co., for its needs. It is thought that there is not enough water for two full companies under the existing arrangement. Fort Armstrong is almost too small for a camping ground, so it looks as though the newcomers would be put under canvas at Fort De Russy for the time being.

The question of tentage is also a stickler. The coast artillery has no regular issue of canvas, unless ordered into the field, and unless the two companies are provided with tents before sailing, they will have

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W. W. HARRIS IN LINE FOR JOB WITH DEMOCRATS

W. W. Harris, whose defection from Republican ranks was one of the day's sensations during the height of the last political campaign, is to be handed a fairly fat job with the Democrats, according to information that was given the Star-Bulletin today on Democratic authority.

According to this report, Harris is slated for the job of chief clerk in the road department. It is stated that the road department is due for a big shake-up, that Caldwell, the present overseer, is to be retired and other Republican employees will also feel the axe. Harris is said to be one of those who will probably be put in with the new administration after the first of the year.

While the campaign was at its height a few weeks ago, Harris mounted the soap-box at Bethel and King streets and harangued the crowd, denouncing Gov. Frear, alleged domination of "big interests," and making in particular a bitter attack on the appointment of H. K. Bishop as superintendent of public works.

A member of the board of supervisors, when asked today concerning the appointment of Harris, said that his name has been brought before the supervisors, but that no decision as to filling the position has been made.

KAMEHAMEHA HONORS ITS FOUNDER'S MEMORY SINGS SONGS PRINCESS BERNICE PAUHAH LOVED

KINGSBURY IS PRESIDENT'S MAN FOR JUDGESHIP

Name of Maui Jurist Sent to
Senate for Confirmation—
Mauiites Ticked by Taft's
Move

(Special Star-Bulletin Cable)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—President Taft this morning sent to the Senate the name of Judge Selden B. Kingsbury, to be judge of the Second Circuit in the Territory of Hawaii. A significant feature of this action by the President is that Judge Kingsbury's term of office does not expire until after that of either, whose names have not yet been submitted to the confirming body.

C. S. ALBERT.

News of the nomination of Judge Kingsbury was received with a great deal of pleasure and not a few smiles, by attorneys and businessmen of Honolulu this morning. The fact that his nomination was sent to the senate prior to that of Judge Parsons was generally taken to mean that "some one is getting mighty busy back on the mainland," as one lawyer put it. It is generally believed that the opposition to Judge Kingsbury's appointment will end with his nomination by the president, but several members of the bar association pointed out this morning that the Democrats in Washington have asserted their intention of "holding up" all nominations sent in by Mr. Taft, and the fear is expressed that messages will be sent from this city to the national capital, urging this policy in regard to Kingsbury.

"Well, well," said Judge A. A. Wilder, when told this morning of the president's action in sending Judge Kingsbury's name to the senate, "that's just about what I expected. As a matter of fact, if they had had an open ballot the other day at the bar association meeting a good many of the men who were yelling for Kingsbury would have had to stand by their words instead of talking one way and voting another. As a lot of them did. An open ballot would have assured the endorsement of Kingsbury, as I said at the time."

Whether the so-called South Carolina gang will keep up the fight against the Judge, now that his nomination has gone to the senate, I cannot say. I should be inclined to believe not, but that is outside my ken."

When John Waterhouse was told of the nomination of Judge Kingsbury, he seemed delighted. "We Mauiites have been fighting for him all along."

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MILVERTON RAPS FOES OF LATEST PLUMBING LAW

Deputy City and County Attorney Milverton this morning wrote an indignant letter to the board of supervisors, ancient remarks credited to Attorney J. A. Magoon, regarding the proposed plumbing ordinance, which passed the third reading of the board at the noon session held yesterday.

Mr. Milverton refrained from saying that Mr. Magoon was guilty of distortion of facts maliciously, but he intimates that the attorney knew better than to make some of the statements he is credited with.

The letter follows: To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Supervisors of the City and County of Honolulu. Gentlemen: In this morning's Pacific Commercial Advertiser appears a report which I assume to be correct, of the proceedings had at the meeting of the board of supervisors held yesterday noon. From that report it appears that Mr. J. Alfred Magoon, who appeared to oppose the new plumbing ordinance, made several statements relative to the old law which is to be superseded, that calls for some reply. According to the report, Mr. Magoon stated that the old plumbing ordinance was drawn by me

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Rain Fails to Spoil Opening
Celebration of the Twenty-
Fifth Anniversary of the Fa-
mous Schools — Queen Too
Ill to Attend

Ancient songs of Hawaii-neh and chants once the delight of Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop were sung by the boys and girls of the Kamehameha schools this morning in honor of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of their school. The memorial exercises were held in the Nuuanu Mausoleum. The crowds of students and friends of the institution, stood with tared heads while the songs were sung and the ceremonies rendered dear by the custom of a quarter of a century, were observed. The Queen was reported too ill to attend.

About five hundred people, including students and former students of the three schools, and their friends were there to honor their Alii. The singing of the students was under the direction of their teachers.

Promptly at 10 o'clock the cadets from the manual department, in their uniforms with white gloves, stationed themselves before the main gate of the burial grounds. The girls in white, led the marching line into the grounds under the strain of a funeral march, played by the Hawaiian band. The preparatory boys, in white and blue caps, followed. Then came the cadets from the manual department.

Lieutenant Turney, military instructor of the schools, with Cadet Major Kamal, leading the school battalion, entered the grounds. As soon as the cadets had taken their positions, signals were given by Musical Director Anders to sing the famous song of Pauahi.

Before the students arrived at the gate, it was thought that the exercises would be halted by the rain. But, contrary to expectations, the weather cleared up as the students entered the grounds.

"Tabu Stick" at Tomb

On one side of the tomb, which was

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TONNAGE TAX PLAN REFERRED TO BUSINESSMEN

James Wakefield's recommendation that a tonnage tax system be devised whereby the territorial wharves and landings be made self-sustaining was approved unanimously by the board of harbor commissioners yesterday afternoon.

His report, as a committee of one to investigate this question, was adopted and the commission voted to carry out his recommendations, which he briefly as follows:

"That the whole available data on the subject of wharf income, wharf expenses, and wharf construction, be submitted to the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce, the Merchants' Association, the Hilo Board of Trade, the Maui Chamber of Commerce, the Kohala Civic League, the Kona Improvement Club and the other business organizations throughout the territory, with a request that they present to the board of harbor commissioners suggestions

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COL. PARKER COMMISERATES WITH MR. TAFT

By C. S. ALBERT

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondent) WASHINGTON, D. C., December 8.—Secretary Jack Desha, who succeeded Mr. McCallan as assistant to Delegate Kalmianale, arrived here with the convening of Congress. He opened the Delegate's office and has since been looking after Territorial matters. He is a young Harvard man, graduated last June. The Delegate was detained enroute and did not arrive as soon as expected.

Col. Samuel Parker dropped into this city with the assembling of Congress. He visited all his old friends in the Senate and House. He also made a call at the White House and paid his respects to President Taft, commiserating with him on the general overturning of the Republican party.

IMMIGRATION BOARD WORRIES OVER CHARTER

Uncertain Whether Bill Will Al-
ter Arrangements for Next
Shipload from Southern Eu-
rope

Wireless news that the Burnett-Dillingham immigration bill had passed the House, coupled with mail news that Hawaii is not exempted from the literacy test for immigrants, has caused prompt action on the part of the Territorial board of immigration. A cablegram was sent to Washington by the board this morning, to inquire whether the charter of the steamer Wellesden just made to bring out 1600 Portuguese and Spaniards would be affected by the bill in the event of its becoming a law at an early date.

"The board has cabled to Washington to ask if the Wellesden charter would be affected by the bill," said Ernest H. Wodehouse, president of the board of immigration, in answer to a question regarding the telegraphic news.

"Of course we hope that the law, if it passes, will not affect the immigration of Europeans to Hawaii already under way. It will take some time for the bill to pass succeeding stages and receive the approval of the President."

"Still, it is a serious condition that confronts us, with the charter concluded and part of the charter money paid. A hundred and thirty-seven thousand dollars is a good deal of money to risk."

"The boat will not sail until some time in February, and consequently will not be here until some time in April. Perhaps the date fixed for the law to come into effect will be far enough along to save us from any trouble relative to the Wellesden people."

Waldron Hopeful.

"I do not believe that passage of the Dillingham immigration bill would affect the arrangements we have already made for another shipment of immigrants from Southern Europe," said Fred L. Waldron this morning, when asked for his opinion.

"Of course there are a good many things in one of those laws which a layman is not qualified to speak upon," he proceeded, "but surely the law will not be retroactive, and as we shall have our laborers here by the end of April, before the law will go into effect, it seems improbable that we will feel it at all with this importation."

"So far as I know," he continued, "the board is doing nothing to fight the immigration bill. All that was possible was done at the last session, and there remains nothing more that we can do. I believe the Delegate will do all in his power to defeat the bill when it comes up in the Senate, and there are other interests which will, I understand, also oppose the

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FIVE DESERT TOKAI MARU

Five sailors, all Japanese, made a spectacular attempt to desert their post of duty in the freighter Tokai Maru last evening with the result that four are at the present time inmates of the steel-bound brig in the steamer, while one continues to wander at liberty.

Harbor Officer Carter was called to the distressed skipper's aid early this morning. Carter was given detail description of the missing men, and he soon found a trail leading to the Kamehameha school grounds where one Japanese was enjoying a free-for-all picnic.

Three other would-be deserters were rounded up before they had covered much distance from the ship.

The Tokai Maru arrived here some days ago from Moji, Japan, with a shipment of coal consigned to the local quartermaster department.

Shortly after dark last evening the men knocked off work and when seen

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MILLIONS ALMOST IN GRASP OF ROBBERS

SIERRA PEOPLE REMEMBER LEPER STATION CHILDREN

Eddie Fernandez, ex-representative and moving picture man, is a passenger on board the Sierra bound for San Francisco. There was a concert on board the Sierra last night, and Fernandez has sent the following message to the Star-Bulletin, by wireless to San Francisco and then by cable here: "Concert Sierra for benefit of children of Kaili Receiving Station Christmas gift. Fifty dollars received."

"ED. FERNANDEZ."

The Christmas spirit seems to have been strong aboard the Sierra.

BANKS CAN NOT CONTROL MONEY ASSERTS MORGAN

(Associated Press Cable) WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—J. P. Morgan, the New York banker and financier, was again before the Puget committee investigating the so-called money trust this morning. In answer to questions he declared that all the "banks in the world could not control the movements of money." He also denied the vast power ascribed to him, through his control of nearly 26 billions of dollars. In explaining his attitude toward combination he declared that he "preferred it to competition in the banking business." He estimated the deposits in his private bank at something like one hundred millions of dollars.

TAFT URGES BIG U. S. BUILDING FOR THE FAIR

(Special Star-Bulletin Cable) WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—President Taft in a message to Congress today urged the appropriation of \$2,000,000 to be expended upon the Federal building at the world's fair in San Francisco, in 1915. It is believed that this suggestion will be favorably acted upon by Congress.

FIND BODY OF NEWSPAPERMAN

(Associated Press Cable) LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19.—The body of Chester Lawrence, the newspaper man and former sporting writer for the Los Angeles Examiner, was picked up at sea today. Lawrence was detailed to accompany Aviator Kearney in the latter's attempt to fly from this city to San Francisco, over the ocean. The hydro-aeroplane was wrecked in some manner, and part of it recovered by a tug. The body of the aviator has not been recovered.

SUGAR

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—88 analysis beets, 98. 63d.

Matthew H. Kane, principal of the Honolulu school, Kona, Hawaii, will arrive tomorrow morning in the steamer Kilanea. He will spend his vacation of two weeks in Honolulu. C. E. King, supervising principal of the schools in Kona, wrote to his friends here that he will arrive in the Kilanea tomorrow morning.

Japanese Consul General Elitake, who has been investigating the Japanese schools on Hawaii, will return in the Mauna Kea next Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cudahy of Chicago, who separated three years ago, have been reunited through the love of their children.

Secret Service Men In The Colorado City Unearth Gi- gantic Conspiracy In Nick Of Time— No Arrests Made As Yet—Would-Be Bandits Unknown To Police

(Associated Press Cable) DENVER, Colo., Dec. 19.—Just in the nick of time United States Secret Service men, stationed here, today unearthed a plot to destroy the Government mint here with dynamite, and get away with a large part of the five hundred millions of money that is stored temporarily in the vaults of the building. The officials are refusing to divulge any of the details of the plot, other than that the Secret service operators were led to the discovery by accident, and that in another twenty-four hours the conspirators would have pulled off their coup, and escaped with large sums of the funds being held here. As yet no arrests have been made, and the authorities admit that they have no clue to the identity of the dynamiters.

AVIATOR DROPS EXPLOSIVES ON BESIEGED CITY

(Associated Press Cable) ATHENS, Greece, Dec. 19.—Dispatches from the Greek army besieging the city of Janina, announce that a Greek aviator has been successful in dropping bombs within the city. The reports state that the town is terrorized by the impossibility of resisting this form of attack and that the damage done has been immense. Several of the more important buildings are reported to have been practically destroyed, and fires started that swept large tracts of the city clear of houses. It is believed that one of the results of this attack will be to hasten the surrender of the town and the effect upon the peace negotiations in London, it is stated, will be great.

TURKS' ANSWER COMING LONDON, Dec. 19.—When the plenipotentiaries met this morning it was announced that information had been received by the Turkish envoys that the answer of the Porte to their request for additional instructions regarding the admission of Greece to the conference, is now on the way and will reach here probably tomorrow. The meeting lasted half an hour and the envoys then adjourned.

PRESIDENT TO LEAVE TONIGHT FOR THE CANAL

(Associated Press Cable) WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—President Taft, and his suite will leave Washington tonight for the south, where he will go aboard a battleship for the Panama canal, which he desires to inspect once more before going out of office. He believes that the work is now sufficiently well advanced to give him a good idea of just what the canal will look like when finished.

NOCTURNAL HOODLUMISM

Complaint is made by people living around the intersection of School and Liliha streets about the nightly revels of a gang of boys. They roam the streets, yelling and singing the greater part of the night, so that sleep is denied to the people of the locality. An occasional visit from a patrolman to the place would likely restore peace and quietness to the distressed neighborhood.